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AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please add the following claim:

-54. (Added) A jaw assembly for use in a vise, comprising:

a block having a plurality of apertures, the block further having a first inlet hole in fluid connection with at least one channel passing through a rear surface of the block, the channel having a portion in fluid communication with at least one of the apertures, the block further having a second inlet hole in fluid connection with at least one channel passing through a rear surface of the block, the channel having a portion in fluid communication with at least one of the apertures;

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a plate secured to the rear surface of the block, the plate adapted to enclose the channels; and,

a plurality of pins, wherein each pin is located within an aperture and wherein each pin is deployable to a use position and retractable to a non-use position.

REMARKS

Claims 1-50 are pending in this Application. By the Response filed on August 23, 2002, claims 1, 4, 10, 12, 22, 30, 32, 42, and 47 were amended. The Response further attempted to add independent claim 51. As explained in the Office Communication (paper no. 7), claims 1-53 were already pending in the pending. Thus, the attempted addition of claim 51 was not effective and rendered the Response not fully responsive to the Office Action of April 25, 2002 pursuant to Rule 1.126. Applicants note that in their Response to the March 6, 2002 Office Action containing a restriction requirement, Applicants elected to prosecute the Group I claims (nos. 1-50) and withdraw the Group II claims (51-53).

In this Supplemental Response, Applicants have added independent claim 54 (essentially, Applicants have renumbered claim 51 as added claim 54). Applicants submit that the addition of claim 54 is consistent with the Examiner's comments in the Office Communication. Applicants further submit that collectively, the Response and Supplemental Response are fully responsive to the Office Action of April 25, 2002.